

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Per 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and in connection with the Office Action mailed on October 2, 2003, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to March 2, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the petition filing fee for a 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) large entity. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR, & ZAFMAN LLP

Dated: March 1, 2004

12400 Wilshire Boulevard Seventh Floor Los Angeles, California 90025 (310) 207-3800 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Eric S. Hyman, Reg. No. 30,139

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on March 1, 2004.

Jean Svoboda

RECEIVED
MAR 0 9 2004
GROUP 3600